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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Mobile or manufactured home parks are a very
3 viable and important part of housing communities for citizens
4 of this State; and

5 WHEREAS, Some mobile or manufactured home parks have closed
6 over the years in Illinois for various reasons; and

7 WHEREAS, Some of the residents of the parks that have
8 closed have found it difficult to find relocation assistance;
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is created a Mobile and
13 Manufactured Home Study Committee; the purpose of the Study
14 Committee is to study the process and procedure by which a
15 mobile or manufactured home located in a mobile or manufactured
16 home park that is closing is relocated; the Commission on
17 Government Forecasting and Accountability shall provide
18 administrative support to the Committee; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That the Study Committee shall consist of the
20 following 10 members:

21 (1) the Director of the Department of Public Health or

1 his or her designee;

2 (2) the Attorney General of the State of Illinois or
3 his or her designee;

4 (3) four members of the General Assembly, with the
5 Speaker of the House, the Senate President, the House
6 Minority Leader, and the Senate Minority Leader each making
7 one appointment;

8 (4) the Chairman of the Board of a statewide
9 organization primarily representing the interests of park
10 owners having properties in downstate Illinois and mobile
11 and manufactured home retailers or his or her designee;

12 (5) the Executive Director of a statewide organization
13 primarily representing the interests of park owners having
14 properties in northern Illinois or his or her designee; and

15 (6) two representatives appointed by the executive
16 director of a statewide organization representing the
17 interests of mobile and manufactured home owners; and be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That the General Assembly members appointed by
20 the Speaker of the House and the Senate Minority Leader shall
21 serve as Co-Chairs of the Study Committee; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the Study Committee shall:

23 (1) examine the implementation and operation of
24 relocation assistance programs in other states;

1 (2) consider possible ways to fund State or local
2 relocation assistance programs, including but not limited
3 to home owner fees, park owner fees, moving company fees,
4 and government funded programs;

5 (3) examine the feasibility of creating a relocation
6 trust fund;

7 (4) formulate a set of best practices to minimize the
8 impact of park closures on park owners, home owners, and
9 local governments;

10 (5) analyze data and other information with respect to
11 relocation;

12 (6) research the availability of insurance policies
13 that cover the costs of relocation; and

14 (7) study the costs and associated legal matters
15 arising from the abandonment of a home in a park; and be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That the Study Committee shall report to the
18 General Assembly on its results and progress on or before March
19 15, 2010.